



Community Presbyterian Church

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
10 September 2023

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus

***Call to Worship**

Let All Who Are Thirsty Come

Let all who are thirsty come,
Let all who wish receive the water of life, freely,
Amen, Come Lord Jesus.
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Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 119:33-40

(One) Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

(All) Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

(One) Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

(All) Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.

(One) Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

(All) Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

(One) Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

(All) See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

***Hymn (603)**

In Christ There Is No East or West

(1) In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

(2) In him shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

(3) Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as his child
is surely kin to me.

(4) In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet south and north;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Prayer of Confession

(All) God of Forgiveness, we come before you today with
humble and contrite hearts. Together, we confess our
sinfulness before you. We confess that we don't always show
your love to others. Forgive us for our apathy. Help us to
forgive ourselves and those who seek forgiveness from us,
that You may be glorified in us as we share Your love. Amen.

Silence

Response

Bóg jest miłością

*God is forgiveness.
Dare to forgive and God will be with you.
God is forgiveness. Love and do not fear.*

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1-14

New Testament Reading

Romans 13:8-14

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon

*Hymn (544)

The Church's One Foundation

(1) The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation, by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

(2) Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

(3) Though with scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

(4) 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore,
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

(5) Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the

holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory (*see insert*)

Jesus Is All the World to Me

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude Special Music

Rejoice, the Lord is King

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trail Hiker Center

We've got hikers pouring into Lake City and need to maintain the shifts from the summer. If you're unable to cover your previously scheduled shifts, please let Jason know.

Games Up Here

Join us for games this **Monday, September 11th at 7:00pm** in the Presbyterian Annex!

Wednesday Bible Study

Join us this **Wednesday, September 13th from 5:00pm until 6:30pm** in the Presbyterian Annex for our Twelfth session on world religion. This week we'll continue with our exploration of cults by looking at the Christian Science religion and discover what's up with those reading rooms. :)

Jesus Is All the World to Me

Jesus is all the world to me,
my life, my joy, my all;
he is my strength from day to day,
without him I would fall.
When I am sad, to him I go,
no other one can cheer me so;
when I am sad, he makes me glad,
he's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me,
my friend in trials sore;
I go to him for blessings, and
he gives them o'er and o'er.
He sends the sunshine and the rain,
he sends the harvest's golden grain;
sunshine and rain, harvest of grain,
he's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me,
and true to him I'll be;
O how could I this friend deny,
when he's so true to me?
Following him I know I'm right,
he watches o'er me day and night;
following him by day and night,
he's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me,
I want no better friend;
I trust him now, I'll trust him when
life's fleeting days shall end.
Beautiful life with such a friend,
beautiful life that has no end;
eternal life, eternal joy,
he's my friend.

SCRIPTURES

Exodus 12:1-14

12:1 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt:

12:2 This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you.

12:3 Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household.

12:4 If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

12:5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

12:6 You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight.

12:7 They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

12:8 They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

12:9 Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs.

12:10 You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

12:11 This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD.

12:12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD.

12:13 The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

12:14 This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Romans 13:8-14

13:8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

13:9 The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

13:10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

13:11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;

13:12 the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light;

13:13 let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy.

13:14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 18:15-20

18:15 "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one.

18:16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

18:17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

18:18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

18:19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.

18:20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."